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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant(s) hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in a Japanese Office Action issued September 17, 2009, during the prosecution of Japanese Application No. 2006-511746, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Japanese Office Action and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

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are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information

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such document is prior art. Moreover, Applicant(s) understand(s) the Examiner will make an

independent evaluation of the cited documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first

Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

Furthermore, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.704(d), Applicant(s) note(s) that to our

knowledge this communication was not received by any individual designated in 1.56(c) more than

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted

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application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0591, under Order No. 15115/244001.

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